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Re: Application of: Hannu PAUNONEN, et al.
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For: **A METHOD IN A PROCESS
CONTROL SYSTEM AND A PROCESS
CONTROL SYSTEM**

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Pursuant to M.P.E.P. §609 and 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97-1.99, applicants herewith submit form PTO-1449 which lists references cited in the corresponding Finnish priority application and in the specification and of which the applicant is aware. A copy of each of the references is submitted herewith.

Please note, English language translations of DE 4210420 and DE 4438854 are not available at this time. However, it is respectfully submitted that the relevance of these references can be readily understood by referring to the drawings provided.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists. While the term "references" is used in citing the publications called to the Examiner's attention herein, applicants do not make any admission that each or all of them are "prior art" references within the meaning of the statutory and case law.

Applicants reserve the right to contend, where appropriate, that a reference asserted against any claim of the present application is not prior art under the facts and the law.

Applicants also reserve the right to present appropriate arguments and/or evidence to establish patentability over the references, should one or more of the references be applied against the claims of the present application.


Applicants request that the Examiner independently determine those items which the Examiner would consider the most pertinent of all the references cited herein.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed simultaneously with the filing of this application and therefore no fee is due.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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